

New Business

Five Year Anniversary

Steve Owen reached his 5-year mark and received his recognition award. Steve was influential in hiring Matt Staten and Byron Hanks.

Nevada Test Site

As part of the new hire orientation program, Sandia is arranging tours of various facilities at Sandia and elsewhere. Invitations are sent to staff who have been here one year or less. This would be a prime opportunity, Ted went last year and gave him a much better perspective on the nuclear program. If you have interest send Ted an email. This is 4/12-14/04 tentatively.

FNR Training

Ted attended the FNR briefing that was this past week. There are changes beginning in February, especially because of Jane Hu and we have some sensitivity with the conferences and universities. The changes are it used to be OK to email, phone but now if there is a premeditated meeting where you set up and invite foreign nationals it requires an FNR. There is a 5-day speed application, no sensitive topic, no sensitive country, you fall into a general approval category. If there are computers involved, or fn from sensitive country then there is a lengthier process, can take up to two months. If you have scheduled a meeting with an approved FNR recipient and a non-approved FNR shows up it is ok, he wasn't invited. IMR is still a conference, discussing material that is publicly available, there are no special applications for FNR. If it is a spontaneous discussion about topics within the scope of IMR that is OK.

If it is premeditated and you are part of the meeting with FNs, a planned meeting you know who is going to be there you will need an FNR. This also can apply to a vendor.

- Action: Verify the rules for ETI

Conferences

WE received invitation to participate in the USNCCM and is requesting someone from Cubit team July 24-28, 2004. This is from Graham Carey. Need to come up with an abstract, can be anything we are working on, the catch is that it is due January 3, 2005. This is in Austin, TX. Tim Volunteered to do this.

Eco mass conference in Barcelona, Spain, the abstract is due 2/25/05. Unless there are some significant new developments that you have had a big change, really worthy of getting out there, do not go to this conference. No more than two people will be permitted to go. The conference theme that Ted attended was "we got to get our act

together to beat the Americans,” so it is interesting. He found it to be interesting, a different group of people were there than who appear at these conferences.

Roundtable

Byron Hanks: San Diego may be the IMR location, with the dates being Sept 11-14, 2005. This conflicts with the conference in Spain.

Steve Owen: Steve went to LANL, (with Darryl and Mike Borden) and set up a team and they had some interesting things to demonstrate; looks like they can collaborate on some of our components. They are developing all their tools, however, they are developing it under Claro. Steve encouraged them to work with ETI.

Had an SQA meeting, it won't change how we operate, we're doing pretty well, it is a mandated program from ASCI, there is a matrix of requirements.

There will be no project meeting next week on the 23rd.

Ray Meyers started a new company and will be marketing cubit and its derivatives for us. This is a non exclusive arrangement and others can do the same if they wish.

Bob Kerr will look into Tim's quandary about foreign national students.